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REMARKS

Applicant hereby requests further examination of the subject application in view of the

amendments and remarks presented herein.

In a first rejection, the Examiner rejected claims 55-60 under 35 USC § 103(a) as being

unpatentable over Moore et al. in view of Schoop et al. Claims 55-60 have been canceled,

rendering moot the first rejection. Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the first rejection.

In a second rejection, the Examiner rejected claims 55-60 under 35 USC § 103(a) as being

unpatentable over Moore et al. in view of Schoop et al. and Fritzemeier. Claims 55-60 have been

canceled, rendering moot the second rejection. Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the

second rejection.

In a third rejection, the Examiner rejected claims 58-60 under 35 USC § 103(a) as being

unpatentable over Chen et al. in view of Paranthaman et al. or Balachandran. Claims 58-60 have

been canceled, rendering moot the third rejection. Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of

the third rejection.

The examiner allowed claims 52, 53, and 54. Applicant concurs with Examiner's position

that claims 52-54 define patentable subject matter.

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Applicants earnestly solicit allowance of claims 52-54, and the issue of U.S. letters patent therefor. Applicant has made every effort to present claims which clearly distinguish over the cited art, and it is believed that all pending claims are now in condition for allowance. However, applicant requests that the Examiner call the undersigned (direct line 865-574-4178) if anything further is required by the Examiner prior to issuance of a Notice of Allowance for all claims.

Respectfully Submitted,

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